

§ 51.63 Refunds.

A collected passport application fee shall be refunded:

(a) To any person exempt from the payment of passport fees under § 51.62 from whom fees were erroneously collected.

(b) For procedures on refunds of \$5.00 or less see § 22.6(b) of this title.

(c) The passport expedite fee will be refunded if the Passport Agency does not provide the requested expedited processing as defined in § 51.66.

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§ 51.64 Replacement passports.

A passport issuing office may issue a replacement passport for the following reasons without payment of applicable fees:

(a) To correct an error or rectify a mistake of the Department.

(b) When the bearer has changed his or her name or other personal identifier listed on the data page of the passport, and applies for a replacement passport within one year of the date of the passport's original issuance.

(c) When the bearer of an emergency full fee passport issued for a limited validity period applies for a full validity passport within one year of the date of the passport's original issuance.

(d) When a passport is retained by law enforcement or the judiciary for evidentiary purposes and the bearer is still eligible to have a passport.

(e) When a passport is issued for the balance of the original validity period to replace a passport with a failed electronic chip.

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§ 51.65 Execution fee not refundable.

The fee for the execution of a passport application cannot be refunded.

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§ 51.66 Expedited passport processing.

(a) Within the United States, an applicant for a passport service (including issuance, replacement or the addition of visa pages) may request expedited processing by a Passport Agency.

All requests by applicants for in-person services at a Passport Agency shall be considered requests for expedited processing, unless the Department has determined that the applicant is required to apply at a Passport Agency.

(b) Expedited passport processing shall mean completing processing within 3-business days commencing when the application reaches a Passport Agency or, if the application is already with a Passport Agency, commencing when the request for expedited processing is approved. The processing will be considered completed when the passport is ready to be picked up by the applicant or is mailed to the applicant.

(c) A fee shall be collected for expedited processing service in the amount prescribed in the Schedule of Fees for Consular Services (22 CFR 22.1). This amount will be in addition to any other applicable fee and does not include urgent mailing costs, if any.

(d) A request for expedited processing normally will be accepted only if the applicant can document urgent departure with airline tickets showing confirmed reservation or similar evidence. The Passport Agency may decline to accept the request if it is apparent at the time it is made that the request cannot be granted.

(e) The expedite fee may be waived only where the need for expedited processing was necessary due to Department error, mistake or delay.

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Subpart E—Limitations on Issuance or Use of Passports

§ 51.70 Denial of passports.

(a) A passport, except for direct return to the United States, shall not be issued in any case in which the Secretary of State determines or is informed by competent authority that:

(1) The applicant is the subject of an outstanding Federal warrant of arrest for a felony, including a warrant issued under the Federal Fugitive Felon Act (18 U.S.C. 1073); or